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SUBJECT: GULF EXPRESSES WORRY ABOUT PERSONNEL

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1. TO BEST OF EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE, ZAIRIAN ARMED FORCES ARE NOT ENGAGED IN ANY INORDINATE MILITARY MOVEMENTS. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOURCE OF GULF PERSONNEL CONCERN ABOUT MILITARY ACTIVITY REPORTED REFTEL STEMS FROM RECENT POLICE ACTIVITY IN KINSHASA. IN ORDER NIP CRIME WAVE IN BUD, KINSHASA HAS BEEN BLANKETED FOR PAST TWO WEEKS WITH NIGHTTIME ROADBLOCKS MANNED BY GENDARMES AND ARMY PERSONNEL. ROADBLOCKS STOP VEHICLES FOR INSPECTION.

2. IN MAY 19 SPEECH, PRESIDENT MOBUTU ANNOUNCED THAT RECENT PUBLIC SECURITY MEASURES NETTED 501 CRIMINALS, INCLUDING 48 ACCUSED OF MURDERING ZAIRIAN CITIZENS. ROADBLOCKS NOW LARGELY WITHDRAWN AND NIGHTTIME SITUATION IN CITY APPEARS TO BE RETURNING TO NORMAL.

3. ON MAY 15 CHARGE DISCUSSED SECURITY MATTERS WITH GULF LONDON HEADQUARTERS OFFICAL RATY AND LOCAL MANAGER HUITT. THEIR CONCERN APPEARED TO BE MORE WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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